

**Minutes of Colorado SASIxp™ Users Group
Steering Committee Meeting
Monday, April 14, 2003**

Time & Place: 9:00 a.m., Adams County School District #12 Administration Building, Snowmass Room

Present:

- Jim Anderson, Denver
- Kathy Green, Douglas County
- Patty Roundy, Aurora
- Rick Tanski, Lewis Palmer
- Wes Kopp, Adams 12
- Patrick Mount, Windsor
- Geoff Haaland, Jeffco
- Patty Fry, Summit County
- Marilyn Sonnkalb, Jeffco
- Allen Bentz, Adams 14
- Brian Fuller, Adams 14
- Cindy Dunn, Academy D20
- JJ Kane, Academy D20
- Von Kiyomi, Falcon Dist. 49
- Ann Godfrey, Brighton
- David Mercer, Boulder Valley
- Rick Olsen, Boulder Valley
- Sue Warrick, Littleton Public Schools
- Jeremy Felker, Littleton Public Schools
- Linda Hayes, Adams 12
- Chris McQuain, Thompson
- Cam Furness, Thompson
- Nancy Oates, Colorado School for Deaf & Blind
- Dwight Humphrey, Douglas County
- Don Begin, Douglas County
- Steve Bohlander, CIC
- Mark Richardson, Pearson Ed Tech
- Helene McMurphy, Pearson Ed Tech
- Jack Lynch, Pearson Ed Tech President & CEO

Next Meeting May User Day 5/12/03

CLARIFICATION ON BALLOTS

- Although ballots were sent out indicating that positions be elected, that is the responsibility of the board. Ballots will be counted for people only.

- ◆ May User Day 5/12/03
 - End of Year, ADE from CDE
 - Districts reporting options
 - Pearson 5.5

Helene McMurphy &
Jack Lynch, Pearson President

- 4th week at this job
- Been in IT for over 20 years
- Spent some time in AI technologies
- Been in education since 1990s
 - Formed company Big Chalk and sold it 2 months ago
- Q&A
 - Changes in Pearson?
 - Vision and directions
 - Execute against product vision
 - Release on time
 - Understands the diverse nature of previous products and wants to close the gap between desired state and existing state
 - Connect student information to learning, understood vision for the company
 - Release date of 5.5?
 - Can get that information
 - Targeted for June (Helene)
 - Would you be willing to show 5.5 on 5/12 User Day.
 - Yes
 - Does 5.5 address NCLB and its required fields
 - Will investigate
 - A suggestion made to calculate fields automatically
 - A suggestion made to have state fields
 - What process does Pearson use to gather information for requirements?
 - Product management group is responsible
 - How will Pearson keep up with the demands in a timely manner?
 - Helene will ask the developer to come to a meeting
 - Could ask to present at May User Day
 - Can you speak to the end of life rumors?
 - (Helene) None of the products are going away
 - R&D is on both Concert and SASI

Some Items from District Sharing

Brighton

- Looking at InTouch for state reporting

Boulder

- Restructuring, compiling data for effects of closing schools
- Working on Elementary Report cards
 - Standards-based elementary report cards

Adams 14

- Redesigning enrollment process
- Had some Schedule Pro training
 - Some course request issues
- 3 schools in 1
 - Similar to DPS's Manuel

Littleton

- Finishing Pinnacle Pilot
 - Probably will not renew
 - Elementary issues
 - Standards-based grading would not work
- Tetra-data implementation
 - Uses information directly from dbIV files
 - Must now standardize many options
- Tranquility updates causing problems
 - 3 schools are down as a result for almost a week
- Participating in D20's Longitudinal study
 - Some past data issues
- InTouch Online will be hosting data @ 7 cents/student
 - Secondary second semester implementation...
- Some trouble with SASID and schools making name changes
 - Sent entire data to CDE
 - Some came back "unknown"
 - Means it's a name issue
 - What process is in place when name changes occur?

Adams 12

- Entering grade card information into ScholarsMart
 - Standardized elementary report card this is second phase
- How many people have gone to Windows 2000 servers & problems?
 - Some response from districts
 - Aurora, Lewis-Palmer, Douglas County
- How many are using Extended Test History for ACT to transcripts?
 - Aurora will ask at a meeting
- ACT will supposedly be functional in 5.5 (CIC)
- Colorado Mentor program has an ACT atom but needs manual entry of data
- No way to identify state vs national administration
- New Year Roll Over
 - Second roll for had problems with 5.02
 - Seniors, some SPED retained did not roll
- Looking at Fees and Textbook
 - Heard that Fees will not be worked with
 - Falcon has one school using Textbooks
 - Jeffco indicated that rollover was difficult
- Looking at FeeMan
 - Is not networkable (Thompson)

Jeffco

- Finished ISIS pilot and will be moving to MS
- Struggling with Fund for Colorado's future
 - To student mobility on Denver Metro area
 - Many districts seem to be unaware of the program
- Working on SASIDs –three hours a day
 - Facility calls from out-of-district placement students
- Beginning End of Year
- Finish October Audit on Wednesday

CSDB

- Score Analyzer
- Health Atom in SASI
 - Will it be added to? Status unknown

D20

- Looking at Edulink for InTouch
- Looking at Pinnacle for attendance
 - Some discussion on the major problems with integration with SASI
 - Significant setup
- Getting ready for EOY

Falcon

- Response to Assist Super regarding ListServ responses.
 - Indicated that Excelsior is not an option
- Looking at InTouch Online, Dialer, Reports

Summit

- Looking at InTouch reports and will probably go with it
- Pinnacle works for them (not on DI)
 - Missing documentation for elementary grading
 - Dropped elementary Pinnacle
- Some issues with CIC SASIDs populating issues
- New Year Roll went well for 5.0.8 (again, not on DI)

Aurora

- Attended Tranquility training
 - 3 schools using
 - Some issues with schools being pushed out
 - Update issues
- Working out issues with ELA
- Looking at the Colorado Mentor Exchange

Lewis-Palmer

- March Report Card through InTouch Reports
 - Will have SDI and EOY
- InTouch Online @ 2 Middle Schools
 - Tale of 2 Schools
 - Next Year @ HS
 - Implementation struggles ahead
- Certain Atoms will give illegal ops
 - Replace from clean install
 - Nothing has changed

Douglas County

- Working on exports for Executive Intelligence using Rex Carter's assistance
 - Using cleanup queries and JobQ Server
- No Issues on second rollover
 - One issue on duplicating histories
 - The fix was to re-roll
 - Ran the cleanup ghost queries before roll
- SASIDs going well
 - Only issue with home school students going to schools and needing SASIDs
- Any districts using auto import?
 - DPS may be able to help
- Opening new schools

DPS

- SASIDs are taken by multiple departments
- OASIS is a place in DPS data warehouse for test data
 - Planned to pilot demographic data
- Trying to move to Windows 2000
- TabbySoft
 - Direct mailings to schools for schedule optimizer
 - The problem was resolved with a phone call
- Some issues with Course History records losses
 - Support resolution was not useful
- Three new charters coming up
- Literacy Block challenges with course files

Thompson

- Working with elementary schools piloting IGPro
 - 14 to 15 sites of 18 using it
 - K & 1 do not use numeric data
 - 2-5 work better
- Elementary report cards are coming
- Secondary using IGPro and going well
- ParentConnect discussions and piloting
- SPED rollout coming
- Working on Extended Test History
- New Year Roll went well
- Any districts going to be using CIC's spreadsheet for SDI?
 - CIC will check

Windsor

- Getting ready for new school and boundary changes

CIC

- Score Analyzer and Report Cards
- Interest in Palm/Pocket OC student data
- More focus coming on Standards-Based Report Cards